Alexis Park Elementary

NOVEMBER NEWS

School Newsletter | November 2022

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Vice-Principals: Kim Erven-Culler & Cordell Ware

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NOVEMBER MESSAGE

Winter has arrived with chilly temperatures greeting us this past week. Winter conditions mean that we can all practice extra safety in our school parking lot. Please help keep students safe by parking in designated spots and avoiding parking in the bus zone. School grounds are cleared of snow each morning, but please watch your step as you enter and exit the school.

If your child's classroom is using Seesaw as a way to communicate student learning, we hope you are enjoying the posts and following along with your child's learning journey - we have so much to be proud of as a community! Alexis Park Eagles are curious, creative, and love to learn!

We are accepting gently used children's winter clothing items, with a particular need for mittens and gloves. If your family has some to donate, we can add them to our clothing room. If your child has a need, please let us know so we can help ensure they are nice and warm when playing outdoors this winter.

There are a few opportunities for families to attend school events listed below. We hope you'll be able to join us!

Mrs. Friesen, Mrs. Erven-Culler & Mrs. Ware

IMPORTANT DATES

- November 8th Picture Retake Day
- November 8th Indigenous Veterans Day
- November 9th Remembrance Day Ceremony @ 10:45am
- November 10th No School (Pro-D Day)
- November 11th No School (Remembrance Day)
- November 14th PAC Meeting @ 6:00pm
- November 14th Restitution Parenting Evening @ 7:00pm
- November 15th Grade 6 Immunizations
- November 16th Vision Screening: K, Grade 3 & Grade 6
- November 30th Linking Literacy & Play Early Years Event @
 6:00pm(for families with 3-5 year olds)

Save the Datel

• December 15th - Winter Concert @ 10:00am & 1:00pm

Ongoing!

 Parent & Child Read Together every Tuesday morning @ 8:00am in the library. Come read with us!

VOLUNTEERS

We are always looking for volunteers to participate in activities throughout the school on a weekly basis! Contact us if you are available.

To volunteer, please complete a free, online Criminal Record Check: HERE

Access Code: X8DFKHURPY

OKIB FLAG

Last month, we raised the OKIB flag out front of our school. We are grateful to be learning together each day on the traditional, unceded territory of the syilx nation. Thank-you to all community members who participated and especially to Alexis Park OKIB students who were leaders during this significant ceremony.



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PARENTING COFFEE NIGHT

Join us from 7:00-8:00pm on Monday, November 14th for a Restitution Parenting Overview with Joel Shimoji



Parenting has perhaps never been more challenging than it is today. We want to be supportive and nurturing of children, but we also don't want them to be spoiled and entitled. We want to be involved in their lives and have strong relationships, but we don't want them to lack the independence needed to grow into thriving adults.

Restitution will give you the skills to be the kind of parent you want to be!

PIZZA FRIDAY

Pizza Friday continues! Students may bring cash on Thursdays to place their order with their classroom teacher.

Menu:

- Cheese pizza \$2/slice
- Pepperoni pizza \$2/slice
- Bugs & Cheese \$4
- Penne & meat sauce \$4
- Chicken fingers & veggies \$4

If you would like your child to participate in Pizza Friday, but the cost is a challenge at this time, please reach out to Ms. Inkster in the office.

LOST & FOUND



The school lost & found is FULL! Please encourage your child to visit the bin near the side entrance of the school to claim their lost jackets, sweatshirts, hats and other belongings.

PRIDE CLUB



Alexis Park Elementary has a Pride Club starting this month. Pride Club is a safe place for all LGBTQ2S+ and allies to come together and support each other, raise awareness, and stand up for a school community that is safe & inclusive

Learn more about SOGI education here: <u>SOGI 123 for Parents</u>

LUNCH PROGRAM

Did you know that we have a lunch program at Alexis Park? If your family is in need of assistance with providing a school lunch, please contact the office and let Ms. Inkster know. Each day Monday-Friday, we have a brown bag lunch program.